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- DE 103 35 501 A1 as discussed on Page 1 of the specification. No translation is available at this time.
- DE 43 35 367 A12 as discussed on Page 1 of the specification. No translation is available at this time.

The following references have been cited in the International Phase of the above-identified application.

- WO 2005/030427 A1 discloses a method for laser beam machining, in particular laser beam welding. The reference has been cited under Category E as being relevant to International

claims 1-4, 6, 9-13, 15, 20-24, 26 and 27. No full translation is available at this time, however, attached is an English language abstract.

- US 2003/0192867 A1.
- FR 2 663 583 discloses a device for automatically orientating a tool. The reference has been cited under Category Y as being relevant to International claims 1, 2, 4-7, 9-11, 13-17, and 19-27. No full translation is available at this time, however, attached is an English language abstract.
- EP 1 038 640 A2 discloses a robot controller. The reference has been cited under Category Y as being relevant to International claims 1, 2, 4-7, 9-11, 13-17, and 19-27.
- US 2001/0042737 A1.
- U.S. Patent 5,012,069.
- Patent Abstracts of Japan vol. 017, no. 520 and JP 05 138374 discloses a controller for output of laser beam machine. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 and 10.

Consideration of the above references is requested.

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